



**ACYHA Board Of Directors  
Monthly Meeting Minutes - Approved  
December 2015**

**Meeting Type:** Monthly meeting  
**Date:** December 14, 2015  
**Time:** 6:30 pm  
**Location:** New Hope Ice Arena - Meeting Room #1

<b>Attendees:</b>	P	Scott Graul - Chair	P	Buck Humphrey - Vice	P	Eric Jeffreys-Berns - Trea	P	Jim Tuchtenhagen - D3
	P	Jon Hill - ACE	P	Bob Sticha - BTT	P	Tawnia Johnson - CD	P	Julie Ann Schmidt - Sec
	P	Kirk Anderson - ED	P	Jerry Mlekoday - GTT	E	Mark Lucas - Ice Sch	E	Carla Schoenberg - SFD
	P	Brian Thul - Mite	P	Jay/Lisa Annis - CMD	P	Crissy Ginther - Reg	P	Jenn Sondrall - TD
	P	Sara Subby - VPD	P	Tim McGone - SS				

<b>Add'l Reps:</b>	P	(NV) Bob Schlosser - Web	P	(NV) Tracee deNeui - GM	P	(NV) Matt Cook - Ast ACE		(NV) Mike Zacharias - HDC
	P	(NB) Catherine Hansen - Eval Cord	P	(NB) Dawn Speltz - AMC				

A Absent                      E Excused                      P Present

**Guests:** Dave Essin

**18 Current voting board members, 10 required for quorum, have 16 so quorum is met for this meeting**

Call to Order at 6:36 pm by Scott Graul  
 Roll Call Julie Ann Schmidt  
 Approval of Nov minutes tabled till next month per Julie Ann Schmidt

Gambling Report By Tracee deNeui - Report attached. Annual Audit was last month; Scott joined the report out meeting. **Motion to approve the monthly board report, to approve expenses for January 2016 \$64,700, approval to make an ice time donation in the amount of \$15,000 to ACYHA for November 2015, and to approve a donation to Broadway Pizza for the charity they support, MDA in the amount of \$500, by Tracie, seconded. Motion approved unanimously**

Chairmen Report Scott Graul - Budget Review Process - In January we want to have half of the board present an overview of their area of the budget and take questions and the other half present in February. Eric will send the lists out for later this week. We want to educate the whole board and take questions now and then in March we will hold a second budget meeting in the month of March. At the Mandatory March meeting we will review each area budget line by line; each person with a budget responsibility will bring their budget for next year. Not just what they did last year. The meeting is mandatory if you have a budget responsibility.

Private agenda item discussion

Reminder there will be a second meeting in March for the budget review - **It is mandatory**

Vice Chairmen Buck Humphrey - Discuss the Just for fun Pond Hockey Tournament. Both north and South will be divided in half 6-9 players per team, 3-5 games guaranteed pending total number of players, no goalies as it is pond hockey with boxes, teams assigned as equally as possible. Goalies are welcome to skate, encouraged. No checking. Games are 18 minutes and the finals will be 24 minute games. Boys levels will be Squirt, PeeWee and a combined Bantam/Jr Gold. Two girls levels U10, U12-& 14. See handout for detail.

Sign up by December 22, brackets will be out December 24<sup>th</sup> and play is December 26<sup>th</sup>. This is not a USA hockey sanctioned event, Crissy will ensure we make a call tomorrow and make sure we are following.

HDC Chair Mike Zacharias - Report presented by Buck

Dryland facility - we want to get more use out of the dryland facility. Bob, Briand and Buck were tasked to come up with options, the option they want to present tonight is:

All Access Winter Program - All traveling levels - Squirt (U10), PeeWee (U12), Bantam (U15)

- December 16-February 19<sup>th</sup> for 10 weeks
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturdays
- Five hours open and teams can reserve dryland in the facilities (M,W,F, 4:30 pm- 9:30 pm) and Saturdays (8:00 am - 1:00 pm)
- Teams reserve the times, up to two sessions per week , then first come first serve for up to 40 players up to and hour if space needed
- There will be one supervisor in the space - not a trainer
- Coaches are encouraged and welcome; for the Squirt (U10) and under a coach or parent supervision is required
- Cost is \$7,000 or approximately \$34 per session for approximately 208 sessions

**Motion to approve All Access Winter Dry Land Program for all association players**

- December 16-February 19<sup>th</sup> for 10 weeks
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturdays
- Five hours open and teams can reserve dryland in the facilities (M,W,F, 4:30 pm- 9:30 pm) and Saturdays (8:00 am - 1:00 pm)
- Travel teams are scheduled by Dave Essin for one slot per week and the ability schedule oen other team slot per week and that the remaining spots up to 40 are open gym
- The team in the assigned slot will get priority on the potion of the space they want and this needs to be very clear to the parents regarding open dry land
- There will be one supervisor in the space - not a trainer
- Coaches are encouraged and welcome; for the Squirt (U10) and under a coach or parent supervision is required
- Cost is \$7,000 or approximately \$34 per session for approximately 208 sessions

**Moved and seconded. Discussed**

**Amended to include**

- **Report back to board monthly by HDC Chair to include head counts on attendance hourly and opinion on effective utilization, being in January**

*Added note that we are covered by Safe Sport by the coaches if it is a team and the open gym does not fall into Safe Sport requirements*

**Motion approved**

Attitude Goal Tending Update - Still working on this contract, **contract is overdue to the board and due at the next board meeting**

Secretary Julie Ann Schmidt - Due to questions - reminder on new tournament hour's requirement, the 5 hours is for dibs filled hours. Anyone who earns their full hours thru a volunteer role like coach or board for example does not do dibs tournament hours

Gifts Policy - We will not do any gifting from association funds to injured player. Also the gift to Ben Sondrall was not from association funds but personal funds. Wording will be added to the guidelines and share next month.

Treasurer Eric Jeffreys-Berns - Monthly update attached

District Three Report Jim Tuchtenhagen - Reports attached. Highlights

- Reminder to managers about proper score keeping coming from D3, Julie Ann will also send out to the manager (Penalties, legible writing, score sheet admission update)
- Official issues need to first go to the head coach , parents are going straight to officials and need to go to head coaches first
- Early District tournaments are out
- Late districts tournaments are in process now
- MN Hockey is introducing Tier One hockey for 14-15 level, play is Aug to Oct, Could affect Bantam Tryouts, and a spring 14 High Performance, we will know if they pass in January State meeting

Registrar Crissy Ginther - registration analysis attached. We have picked up a few min mites and with Jr Gold we are at 430 total, this is a great. We have 199 for mites last year was 176.

We need to get coaches all Safe Sport Certified; we have had to pull off the ice a few as they cannot take the ice without their certification. All background screens are done.

Age specific modules are dues by December 31, if not done they will be red lines and off the roosters till complete.

Mite Director Brian Thul - January 30<sup>th</sup> is the Mite Pancake Breakfast, it will be at Broadway Pizza in Crystal. 7:30 - 10:30 am. Schedule for travel teams will come out.

**Motion to approve the funds of \$600 to send three Mite 3 teams to attend the Delano Jamboree March 11-13. The motion is being made for the extra funds dues to the increased fees and volunteer hours for this level and the limits on their ice due to ice availability. Second, Motion approved**

Note Dawn schedules the Golden Valley out door ice for the city, she will share an email that we can send out to all the team so they know to go thru her.

Tournament Volunteer Hours Update Sara Subby - Report attached. As in the past we about 300 hours in the deficit in the pre planning for volunteer hours. We are tracking how the volunteer hours for the tournaments are going, on track but we will send a reminder out so people sign up. Only 24 families have completed that portion of their hours.

Update on Volunteer Hours estimate for the year after hosted tournaments.

8:34 Adjourned

Preliminary minutes, respectfully submitted by Julie Ann Schmidt, Secretary, December 17, 2015.  
Approved January 11, 2016.



**ARMSTRONG COOPER  
YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

**MONTHLY GAMBLING REPORT TO MEMBERS - DECEMBER 2015**

**MEETING DATE - DECEMBER 14, 2015**

**ITEMS INCLUDED IN REPORT TO MEMBERSHIP OF ACYHA (SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS)**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| X | 1 - G-1 Lawful Gambling Summary ( Schedule A, B2, E)              |
| X | 2 - Copy of check register or itemized expense journal            |
| X | 3 - Copy of LG1010 Schedule C/D                                   |
| X | 4 - Copies of Distributor invoices or perpetual inventory records |
| X | 5 - Copy of month-end inventory                                   |
| X | 6 - Copy of Itemized bank statement                               |
| X | 7 - Correspondence with GCB, MN Revenue, IRS, Miscellaneous items |
| X | 8 - P&L Statement   |
| X | 9 - Monthly Expense Approval - See below                          |
| X | 10 - Review of recent and upcoming activities                     |

**BOARD APPROVAL ITEMS**

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| X | Approval of monthly report to board   |
| X | Approval for expenses for JANUARY 2016 - \$64,700 Needs to be in Minutes.                               |
| X | Approval to make an ice time donation in the amount of \$15,000 to ACYHA for November 2015.             |
| X | Approval to make a donation to Broadway Pizza for the charity they support, MDA in the amount of \$500. |
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1 - Checkbook balance end of November 2015 - \$51,541.38

2- Profit for NOVEMBER 2015 - \$4,992.44

3-Revenue in Nov.\$72K, Oct.\$77K, Sept.,\$69K, Aug., \$58K, July, \$59K, June, \$59K, May 79K

4 - I have good news! The deposits from the Pub that were misplaced in July 2015 HAVE BEEN FOUND AND and Re-deposited! Giving the association a check back for that \$872.00.

5- Had a meeting last week with Jere Bartz regarding our annual audit information. Scott G and Andrea Omodt were present as well. Things went well with that. We are in compliance with everything.

6 -Had an employee meeting at Pub 42 yesterday morning just to go over some things and make sure everyone is on the same page.

**Forecasting profits and plans for gambling money**

Current running total of City taxes owed for 2015 - estimate \$16K

To see additional details on revenue or expenses please contact Tracee L. deNeui 763.226.8372

Deb Jacobson 612.202.5134

Copy of this information must be included in meeting minutes (including pre-approved amounts)

See Page 2 for Monthly Expense approval for January 2016

**ARMSTRONG COOPER YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION - PRE-APPROVAL FOR EXPENSES -**

**Pre-Approval: Allowable Expenses for January 2016**

Payee	Purpose	Estimate	Actual	Approved
Compensation	Pay of employees	20,000		12/13/15
Pub 42	Rent	1500		12/13/15
Sunshine Factory	Rent	1750		12/13/15
The Lodge	Rent	1000		12/13/15
New Hope Bowl	Rent	700		12/13/15
Broadway Pizza	Rent	900		12/13/15
Larson Allen	accounting	600		12/13/15
of Diamonds - Ben's	Pull tabs	9000		12/13/15
Fees and Taxes	Fees and Taxes	28,000		12/13/15
Operation expenses	supplies	500		12/13/15
Storage unit	Storage unit	750		12/13/15
				12/13/15
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>64700</b>		12/13/15

**Pre-Approval: Lawful Purpose Expenditures for January 2016**

Payee	Purpose	Estimate	Actual	Approved
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>0</b>		

This report was presented to the organization by the Gambling Manager.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

AYHA Director

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*ACYHA 3 v 3 Mid-Season "just for fun" Pond Hockey tournament,  
Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>:*

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We would have up to 8 squirt teams, 8 peewee teams, 4 bantam/Jr Gold teams, 4 U10 teams, 4 U12/15 teams.

We will start at 10:40 AM on Saturday with this set up.

Squirts in two pools.  
Pewees in two pools.

**Rink #1 - NHS:**

**11:00-12:00**

**Squirt teams (pool A)** A, B, C, D play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**12:15-1:15**

**Pewee (pool A)** A, B, C, D Play each other in 3-18 minute games.

**1:30-2:30**

**Bantam** teams play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**2:45-3:45**

**U12/U15** Teams play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**4:00-5:00**

**Squirt final** 2- 24 minute games.

A1 vs B2 and B1 vs. A2. Winner vs. Winner, Loser vs. Loser.

**5:15-6:15**

**U10 Final** 2- 24 minute games.

1st vs. 4th, 2nd vs. 3rd. Winner vs. Winner, Loser vs. Loser.

**6:30-7:30**

**Bantam Final** 2- 24 minute games.

1st vs. 4th, 2nd vs. 3rd. Winner vs. Winner, Loser vs. Loser

**Rink #2 - NHN:**

**10:45-11:45**

**Squirt teams (pool B)** E, F, G, H play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**12:00-1:00**

**Pewee (pool B)** E, F, G, H Play each other in 3-18 minute games.

**1:15-2:15**

**U10** teams play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**2:30-3:30**

**U12/U15** Teams play each other in 3- 18 minute games.

**3:45-4:45**

**Pewee final** 2- 24 minute games.

A1 vs B2 and B1 vs. A2. Winner vs. Winner, Loser vs. Loser.

**5:00-6:00**

**U12/15 Final** 2- 24 minute games.

1st vs. 4th, 2nd vs. 3rd. Winner vs. Winner, Loser vs. Loser.

EMail to go out tomorrow:

"It's tournament time! ACYHA will host our first Mid-Season Just for fun 3 vs 3 pond hockey tournament. If you are an ACYHA traveling player, you qualify to be a part of ACYHA history.

The tournament:

-Saturday, Dec. 26th

-North & South rink will be divided into 4 rinks using hard dividers/half boards

-Teams will consists of as few as 6 and as many as 9 individual players

-Players and teams, depending on number of entries, will be guaranteed 3-5 games

-No-check, 3v3, pond hockey goals (no goalies)

-Individual players register and are assigned as equally as possible to a team at their level

-At each level teams play each other in 3 – 18 minute games

-For the final rounds, teams will play 2 – 24 minute games

-Sign-up deadline, ~~Thursday~~, Dec. 17th, brackets will be out ~~Sunday~~, Dec. 20th

-\$10 entry fee per player

22nd

24th

-Boys brackets will consist of all levels - squirt, pee-wee and Bantam/Jr Gold

-Girls brackets will consist of 2 levels - U10; U12 and U15

Don't miss the action, sign up today! If you have any questions or would like additional information, please email Buck Humphrey @ [hubert4@gmail.com](mailto:hubert4@gmail.com) or go to the Mid-Season Holiday Classic 3 vs 3 pond hockey tournament page on the ACYHA.org website."

Team and Open Dryland proposal:  
Armstrong Cooper Wings Hockey

ALL ACCESS WINTER PROGRAM

All Traveling levels: Squirt (U10) Pee wee (U12) Bantam (U15)

December 16th - February 19th (10weeks)

Monday - Wednesday - Friday - Saturday

-5 hours of open and team reserved dryland in the Overspeed facility (M, W, F 4:30-9:30 PM)  
Saturdays: 8AM - 1PM

-(Team reserved time priority, up to 2 sessions per week; then first come first serve for up to 40 players -  
up to an hour - if space needed)

1 Supervising Staff Trainer

Coaches, encouraged and welcome

\*Squirt/U10 and under – Coach or parent supervision required

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# Performance

## Actual vs Budget Debrief 2015-16

### On the Bright side... Noteworthy

#### Income

- registration income is likely to come in \$20K over budget
- Sold off ice \$4.2K over budget of \$2K

#### COGS

- refunds are \$2.8K under budget
- goalie credits \$3.3 under budget

#### Expenses

- "Facility fees" line item \$8.7 less than budget. Last year this included a dry land facilities payment to New Hope which will not happen this year.

### Holding pattern - items that will probably come in at budget or too early to tell

#### Income

- Misc income(includes mite jamboree income, sold ice, etc)
- Fundraising income(wreath sales came in at budget - \$54K)
- Gambling income - We are currently half way to \$110K budget
- Concession income - \$30K budget

#### COGS

- Scholarships will come in close to \$9K budget

#### Expenses

- Admin expenses(various misc expenses) should come in close to \$21K budget
- Ice usage is coming in less than expected with an estimated \$160K left to bill for the season based on LY

### The Other stuff...

#### Income

- Have not yet received Land O Frost Sponsorship for \$5K

#### COGS

- Registration credits(ice scheduler/registrar/concessions) \$3.2K over budget

#### Expenses

- Registration expense for away tournaments \$3.1K over budget
- Eval & pre-season camp pay \$3.7K over budget
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# DISTRICT 3 BOARD MEETING

December 9, 2015

**OFFICIALS REPORT:** Per separate attachment

**DIRECTORs REPORT:** Essays due next week for Minnesota Hockey HEP Essay "Hockey teaches me about" is the subject.

- **Buffalo White U15 "A" Team** – Not the talent they thought = 2<sup>nd</sup> games with each D3 Team is canceled

## **PRESIDENTs REPORT:**

- All early District Tournament Schedules are out to the Ice Schedulers (Will be posting once he gets back from Hosting Team's Ice Scheduler).
- Late District Tournament Schedules will go out after everything completed with Early Tournaments. Aiming to have complete prior to Holidays!
- Top 3 Teams for District Youth Teams going to Regions

**ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:** Will be sending all D3 Managers more detailed information on New Score Input System and timing it takes to upload into the system to show as entered on website. Volunteer Inputs into actual D3 system.

**ASSOCIATION REPORTS:** Not much reported of relevance

- **Wayzata - Acceleration 3-on-3 Summer (August) 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (Mites up to Pee-Wees) 2 Days a week**

**COACH IN CHIEF:** Last CEP Training this Sunday (Class is Full)

- December 27<sup>th</sup> (Bloomington) Level 1 and 2 (possibly Level 3)
- Modules need to be done on-line BEFORE DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> (SafeSport was to be done before going on ice first time).

## **MEMBERSHIP & DEVELOPMENT REPORT:**

- **TRY HOCKEY FOR FREE** – February (last Try Hockey for Free) – Need to register for it NOW!
- **Largest State in U.S.** for Mite Registration (#4 when including countries like Canada)
- **FOX SPORTS NORTH** – Taped small area games at Osseo

**GIRLS LEAGUE:** D3 U15 Girls Coordinators to submit Re-cap / Survey on New Program of U15

- Wayzata, Orono and **Armstrong-Cooper** has not returned – Girls Coordinator to send in!

**GRIEVANCE:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grievance Meeting on kicking this year

- Hopkins: Had Official come in to explain rules and penalties of the game to (What Officials are looking at and what their seeing to avoid penalties.... i.e. difference of "Pinch" vs. "Check" / High Sticking / Hand Passing / Intentional vs. Non-Intentional Off-Sides, etc.
  - Hopkins Donated to Belt Line Scholarship Fund
- Officials are willing to set these up with D3 Association Teams, but would be based on time available.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **TIER 1 HOCKEY (14/15 level) to Minnesota in Fall 2016 (Boys & Girls)**
  - 20 per team (80 total) = 2002 / 2001 Calendar Year
  - Districts will host (depending on numbers of skaters)
  - Early August – Try-outs
  - Mid-October – End of Tournament to qualify for Nationals (anywhere in U.S. = March following year)
  - BOYS = 20 Games to qualify for Nationals (based on U.S. Hockey)
  - GIRLS = 14 Games to qualify for Nationals
    - Minnesota looking for waiver to help complete prior to District Games
  - **COULD EFFECT TRYOUTS FOR ASSOCIATIONS** (Need to prepare for)
  
- **14 HP PROGRAM THIS SPRING** (Boys and Girls) – In Duluth



District 3 Meeting December 9, 2015  
Supervisor of Officials Report – Matt Olsonoski

November was a busy month – 771 games 11/1/15 thru 11/30/15

Blue OX tournament (BAA and BA) in Maple Grove – Great high level hockey to start the year off

New district rules:

1. Warm up – sounding horn with 1 minute remaining
  - a. Good feedback “seem” to have more completed games
2. 3 penalty rule – Game ejection
  - a. Need to make sure all score keepers are recording this correctly
    - i. Game Ejection (No add’l suspension) vs Game Misconduct (1 game suspension)
3. Player handshake – Gloves on is going fine

Concerns:

Talk to scorebook keepers

1. Hand writing has to be legible
2. Each individual penalty must be on its own line
  - a. Example – Checking from behind 2 minute minor and 10 minute misconduct needs to be recorded on 2 separate lines. COUNTS AS 2 PENALTIES
  - b. Officials have been instructed to closely review scoresheet to check for accuracy after all games.

If there are any question, concerns, or complaints about games or officials please have **Head Coach** contact me. I have had way too many parents emailing me about all different kinds of things.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Olsonoski  
Supervisor of Officials  
District 3

# DISTRICT 3 BOARD MEETING

November 11, 2015

## OFFICIALS REPORT:

- 7 game misconducts / 1 match play penalty in first week of play
- Warm-up Policy working great
- **Need Hour Clocks Set for all games – NEED ARENA MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION SO THEY CAN CONTACT AND ADVISE IF THIS REQUIREMENT**

## MINNESOTA HOCKEY PRESIDENT – David Margenau

- HP 14 Festival (adding 14 and under hockey) – Girls and Boys
- Tier 1 Hockey – Looking to offer in Minnesota – 14U / 15U (During season next year) – More details will follow since this could affect Association Try-outs

## ASSOCIATION REPORTS:

- **PCA Pre-Season Meeting** – Mound, Maple Grove
- **Maple Grove** – Hired Dianne Ness for coaching seminars (included making a video for further teaching / instructions)
- **Minneapolis** – Also hired skating coach for coaching seminars
- **Wayzata** – having a 3-on-3 league this summer (run thru Acceleration)
  - Open to Wayzata first, but likely will be available to others
  - Mites for sure. Maybe high school. Specific age groups not yet set.
  - Unsure if would be registered with Mn Hockey / US Hockey

## COACH IN CHIEF

- DEC 13<sup>th</sup>: CEP Clinics - Level 1 (FULL), 2, 3 - Brooklyn Park (includes on ice sessions)
- This weekend Level 4 (Up in Fargo)

## MEMBERSHIP & DEVELOPMENT REPORT:

- **Pass the Puck Grants (\$2,500)** – Open for Request Forms and Submissions (First Come / First Served) = <http://www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show/831734-pass-the-puck-grant>
  - Favors Associations that focus on hosting events to grow registration (Try Hockey for Free Swimming Party, Dance, etc.) This assists in off-setting costs of these events
- **Gear up For Minnesota** – End of February is deadline
  - Standard Skating Sets and Goalie Sets
  - <http://www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show/1846176-gear-up-minnesota->
- **First Stride Program (Sponsored by Total Hockey)** – on Minnesota Hockey website
  - Provide full sets of equipment for try hockey events. Offer free equipment to those that register with their local association. Contact John Luetkemeyer at [jluetkemeyer@totalhockey.com](mailto:jluetkemeyer@totalhockey.com)

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Need to figure out how to eliminate this from happening due to issues in rescheduling
  - Discussed to allow Associations to make changes up to 24 hours prior to the scheduling meeting.  
No changes would be accepted within 24 hours of the meeting.
- No final decisions or actions were made = Bring back to Associations again.
- Discussion from Dave Margenau that these changes are not meant to be intentional and that fining an Association \$1,600 or not allowing changes could place players in the wrong level a play that could be detrimental to their development (which is not the intent of USA Hockey, Minnesota Hockey or the Associations).

2015-16											
	tpd	bantam	u14	pw	u12	squirt	u10	mite 3	mite 2	mite 1	mini mite
Dec											
Nov ytd(11/14/15)	16	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	1	x	15
Oct	40	x	x	x	x	x	x	2	4	15	19
Sept	99	15	1	11	9	12	8	8	11	13	11
Aug	253	22	11	45	16	46	19	25	23	34	12

2015-16	408	37	12	56	25	58	27	35	39	62	57
2014-15	377	36	5	58	27	62	13	45	37	44	50

2014-15											
	bantam	u14	pw	u12	squirt	u10	mite 3	mite 2	mite 1	mini mite	
Dec	1	x	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Nov ytd(11/14/14)	2	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	2	x	
Oct	20	x	x	x	1	x	1	2	5	11	
Sept	204	24	3	32	16	39	7	18	21	22	
Aug	150	12	2	25	11	22	6	26	14	17	

All mite levels combined

193

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## **ARMSTRONG COOPER YOUTH HOCKEY**

Executive Committee,

As you may be aware concerns have been raised by the Mite 3 parents about the lack of weekday ice time for the Mite 3 players. This summer when the board approved an increase in registration fees it was largely based on the increase in ice costs. It was determined at that time that because the Mite 3 program had been expanded to three days a week of ice that they should also be included in the fee increase, while other mite levels did not incur an increase. So the Mite 3's are paying \$50 more per player this year than in years past, and now have actually sustained a decrease in ice time. The lack of ice is due to many variables, which are being looked at by the HDC, however the conclusion appears to be that best, we may be able to get them weekday ice, every other week starting in mid-December. So they have now been only having 2 days a week of ice since the beginning of the season.

Brian and I have been looking at different options to try to resolve the concern of the parents about "why are we paying more for less". One opportunity we found that would address the above concerns was an invitation to the Delano Mite Jamboree. The event is the weekend after our regular mite jamboree. The teams will be able to play up to 8 games. While this doesn't replace the skill development for the players during additional practices, we do think that it is a great opportunity to compete with their teammates and will be a fun way for the teams to end the season. The cost of the Delano Mite Jamboree is \$200 per team, we would be sending three teams, so \$600 total. This Jamboree would be a great experience for our players as most of them move to squirts next season. It will provide additional ice time at a very reasonable rate which will help the mite 3's get closer to their ice time goal for the season which was established by the Hockey Development Committee. However, given that we did not have a line item on our mite budget for this specific expense, we are seeking Executive Board approval of the expenditure that would fall under the ice-time budget for Mite 3's.

Please advise if you have any questions or concerns, otherwise we are respectfully requesting executive board approval of the \$600 expense so that Eric may issue payment to Delano to secure our spot.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Brian Thul and Dawn Speltz  
ACYHA Mite Directors